

Grants Pass Department of Public Safety



2016 Annual Report

Keeping Grants Pass Safe Since 1887



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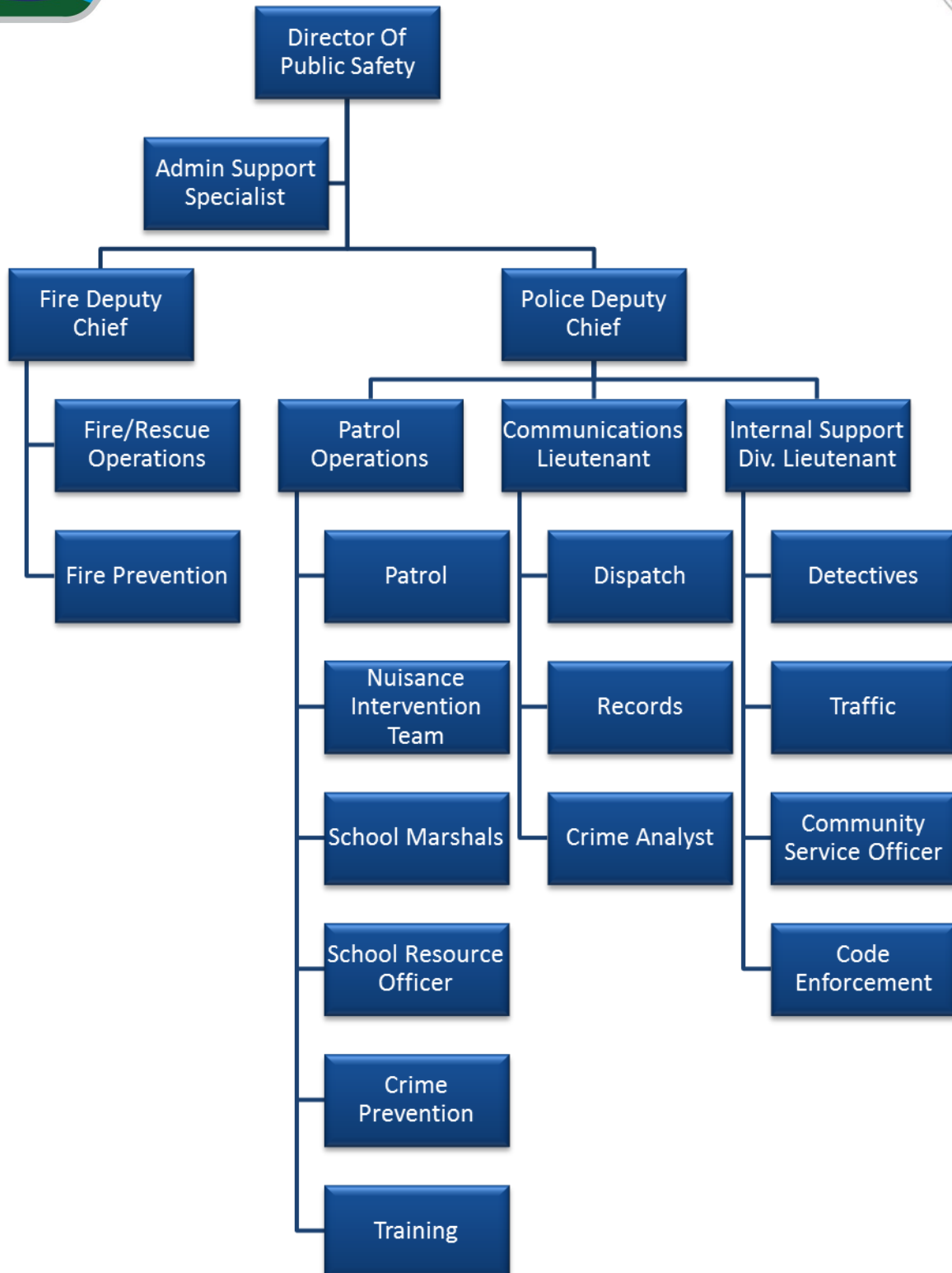
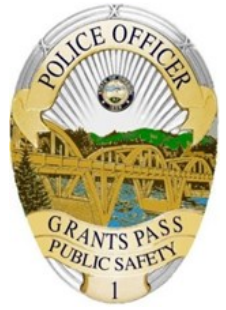


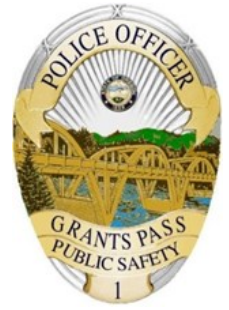


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Message from the Chief

On behalf of the men and women of the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety (DPS), it is an honor to present our 2016 Annual Report. The report summarizes the many activities performed by your Public Safety Departments which consist of dedicated Police Officers, Firefighters, Dispatchers, Records Clerks, Community Service Officers, Volunteers, and civilian staff, as we work to keep our community safe and livable. “Keeping Citizens Safe” is our mission and we take pride in insuring all are safe to the best of our abilities.

In Grants Pass, your police and fire services are provided much differently than in many communities. Instead of separate and traditional police and fire departments, Grants Pass DPS provides police, fire/rescue, dispatch/911, and records services to residents and visitors to our community from one department and one management team. This represents a significant annual cost savings because we do not operate with two separate administrations to deliver police and fire service, which is customary in most other cities.

As your Chief, I serve as both Police Chief and Fire Chief and am responsible for 911 communications for all of Josephine County. I along with a Public Safety management team that consists of two deputy chiefs and two lieutenants oversee 118 employees who make it all happen. Together, we are responsible for providing day-to-day leadership and management of all public safety services. Our leadership role extends to emergency response as we work to coordinate efforts during major police incidents, fires and natural disasters. When compared to traditional police and fire departments, we operate with fewer management positions.

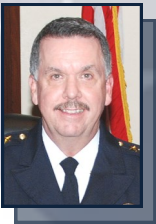
While we are capable of handling the routine day-to-day emergencies that confront us, the occasional fire or law enforcement incident can quickly overtax city resources. To address those larger incidents, we have formed partnerships with most agencies in Southern Oregon. Through prior planning and training, we are able to call those entities to our community to assist us with major or multiple emergencies. Likewise, they rely upon us to reciprocate in their time of need.

Our core group of cross trained Command level emergency managers is capable of filling a variety of roles as part of the Incident Command System during any police, or fire/rescue incident. Our professional police officers perform the duties normally associated with their positions such as patrol, investigations, drug enforcement, and community policing. Non-traditional duties in support of firefighters include fire size-up, hydrant connections and fire ground support. Our professional firefighters perform traditional fire service functions like structural and wildland fire suppression, building inspections, hazardous materials response, medical and rescue calls, and public education. Firefighters also assist police officers in a variety of ways including missing persons, crash scenes, and as firefighter/paramedics with the Grants Pass DPS SWAT team. SWAT team members enhance their training to deal with violent, often barricaded, armed suspects. Their special training and equipment allows them to safely contain and resolve an incident along with help from another special team, the Critical Incident Negotiations Team (CINT). This group of dedicated employees provides hostage/crisis negotiations in criminal events.

Grants Pass DPS is proud to have achieved a number of significant accomplishments; community wide annual surveys reveal a high level of satisfaction with police and fire services; our Police Bureau was first Nationally Accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) in 1993; and, the Fire/Rescue Division holds a Fire Protection Class 2 rating with the Insurance Services Office. We are currently transitioning from CALEA to a new policy standard called Lexipol.

Most members of the community are not aware that we have been providing Grants Pass with continuous police services since 1887 and fire suppression since 1891. On behalf of my staff, it is an honor to serve our community and we pledge to continue the tradition of “*Keeping Grants Pass Safe.*”

GRANTS PASS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY COMMAND STAFF



Bill Landis, Director of Public Safety

- ♦ Police, Fire Operations, 911 Communication



Jim Hamilton, Police Operations Deputy Chief

- ♦ Patrol Operations, Nuisance Intervention Team (NIT), School Resource Officer, Crime Prevention, SWAT.



Lang Johnson, Fire/Rescue Operations Deputy Chief

- ♦ Fire/Rescue, Medical Response, Fire Prevention and Inspections, Student Firefighter Program



Dennis Ward, Communications Division Lieutenant

- ♦ Dispatch, Records, Crime Analyst, Internal Affairs

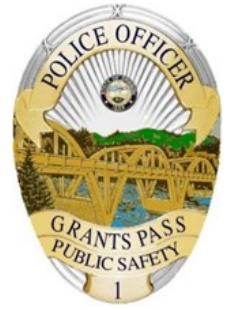


Todd Moran, Investigative and Support Division (ISD) Lieutenant

- ♦ Criminal Investigations, Code Enforcement, Community Service Officers, Critical Incident Negotiations Team (CINT).



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MISSION: *“Keep Citizens Safe”*

Our Mission reflects the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety commitment to providing a safe environment for our community through the delivery of professional police, fire, and public safety support services.

PURPOSE:

We strive to provide high quality, courteous, caring, cost effective, innovative and responsive customer service to the residents and visitors of the City of Grants Pass.

We strive to provide a highly trained, properly equipped, well managed and unified work force by providing a rewarding, positive and healthy environment for the long term success of all employees.

We are committed to responding to our community's needs, expectations and desires by listening and involving members of the community in the services provided through the use of volunteers, citizen action efforts and opportunities for public comment.

CORE VALUES (IVALUE):

Integrity: *We conduct ourselves, at all times, in a manner that is ethical, trustworthy, and professional.*

Vision: *The organization focuses on actively discovering and creating new ways of doing things.*

Accountability: *We are the stewards of the public trust, accountable to the needs of Council, citizens, and our colleagues.*

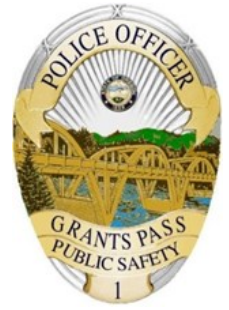
Leadership: *The opportunity to lead is available to all who desire it. Our leadership focuses on outstanding results for the betterment of the individual, the organization and the community.*

United: *We consistently seek opportunities for coordination and collaboration, working together as a team.*

Excellence: *Maintaining the highest level of performance.*



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New to GPDPS in 2016

School Marshals



The School Marshal Program began in May of 2016 as a partnership between the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety and Grants Pass School District 7. It was created as a way to provide additional protection to our students and school staff without the high costs of adding more full time officers. School Marshals are retired police officers who have maintained their certification through the State of Oregon. They are employed part time by the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety and are assigned to work solely within the schools. School Marshals work in plain clothes and they have the authority and tools to stop any threat they may encounter within the schools.

Use of Naloxone

In 2016, in partnership with Josephine County Public Health, the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety began carrying Naloxone in all Police/Fire, and administrative vehicles. Naloxone immediately counteracts the effects of opioids on the receptors of the cells located in the brain. Public Health trained all Public Safety first responder in the use of Naloxone. Since implementation, Department of Public Safety first responders have had several uses in the field.

Lexipol

The Grants Pass Department of Public Safety teamed up with Lexipol, a policy and procedure management company, in 2015/2016. Lexipol provides comprehensive, defensible policies written by legal and public safety professionals. Lexipol's experienced legal and public safety team instills complete confidence by constantly monitoring and reviewing government legislation and court case decisions, and providing policy input based on federal and state statutes, case law and law enforcement best practices. Lexipol's Daily Training Bulletins bring the manual into practice through real-life scenario-based training exercises. The Grants Pass Department of Public Safety has worked in conjunction with Lexipol over this past year to review and update policies and procedures which will be completed within the first quarter of 2017.



Grants Pass Department of Public Safety Patrol



2016 Patrol Specialty Assignments

- ❖ Crash Reconstruction
- ❖ Canine Handler
- ❖ Critical Incident Negotiations Team
- ❖ Survival Skills Team
- ❖ Drug Recognition Expert
- ❖ Field Training Officer
- ❖ Firearms Instructor
- ❖ Special Weapons And Tactics



Currently, there are 28 officers assigned to patrol, who are split into four teams. Officers work 12 hour shifts, and provide 24 hour coverage for the city of Grants Pass. Officers typically patrol and respond to calls from their car, but can also be seen on foot patrol in the Central Business District. While on patrol, officers respond to calls for service, conduct self-initiated activity such as traffic stops, and conduct focused patrol of hot spot areas.

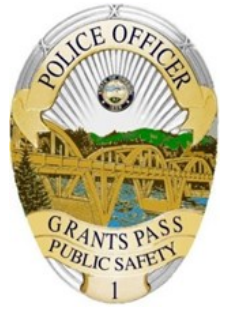
In 2016, the Grants Pass Sobering Center opened, which provides 12 beds for intoxicated persons. This new resource provides an alternate option for officers who contact subjects who are too impaired by drugs or alcohol to care for themselves or make sound decisions. In the past, officers would often arrest these subjects on minor criminal offenses, but now have the option to take them to a facility where they can be housed until they are sober and offered additional resources.

CRIME TYPE	REPORTED OFFENSES*			
<u>SELECTED PART I & PART II CRIMES</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>%VARIANCE FROM 2015</u>
HOMICIDE	1	1	0	N/A
RAPE	14	12	12	0%
ROBBERY	31	35	29	-17.14%
ASSAULT	440	361	335	-7.20%
BURGLARY	289	286	246	-13.99%
THEFT	1,633	1,609	1,584	-1.55%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	186	192	211	9.90%
ARSON	21	23	9	-60.87%
<u>SELECTED PART I OFFENSE TOTALS</u>	<u>2,615</u>	<u>2,519</u>	<u>2,426</u>	<u>-3.69%</u>
FRAUD	283	257	217	-15.56%
VANDALISM	1,059	1,016	1,040	2.36%
WEAPON LAW VIOLATIONS	137	91	96	5.49%
OTHER SEX CRIMES	66	54	42	-22.22%
DRUG OFFENSES	631	602	766	27.24%
DUII	139	158	209	32.28%
MENTAL HOLDS	229	201	203	0.99%
<u>SELECTED PART II OFFENSE TOTALS</u>	<u>2,544</u>	<u>2,379</u>	<u>2,573</u>	<u>8.15%</u>
<u>SELECTED PART I & II OFFENSE TOTALS</u>	<u>5,159</u>	<u>4,898</u>	<u>4,999</u>	<u>2.06%</u>

*Each month, the Records Division is responsible for reporting specific crime statistics that occurred in the City of Grants Pass to the OSP Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS). These statistics are utilized by the FBI for national crime reporting purposes. Each crime is classified using a system known as the Oregon-National Incident Based Reporting System (O-NIBRS). O-NIBRS groups crimes into Part I and Part II offenses (selected offenses shown above). **Red** indicates an increase in crime.



Grants Pass Department of Public Safety Traffic Enforcement



2016 Traffic Statistics

Traffic stops: **5,778**
59% warned
41% cited

Traffic crashes: **1,563**

Traffic arrest charges: **499**

42% DUII arrests
24% Reckless Driving
24% Criminal Driving While Suspended
10% All other traffic crimes

The City of Grants Pass takes a multi-pronged approach to traffic problems. We balance education and enforcement of traffic laws. Currently, two patrol officers are assigned to full-time traffic duties. They respond to traffic crashes, investigate hit and run crimes as well as enforce traffic laws. In addition, the traffic team coordinates many of the special events which occur in Grants Pass.

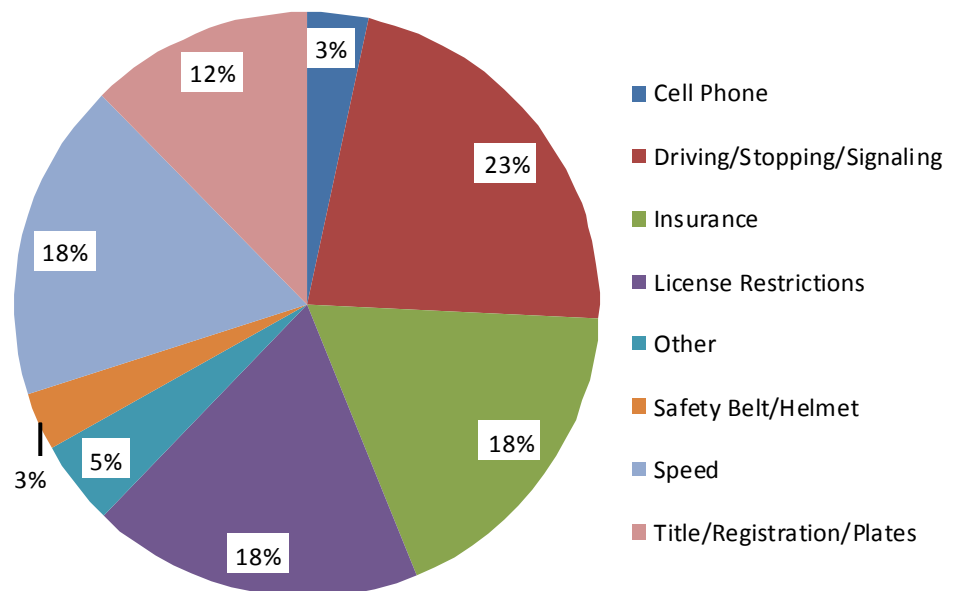
Targeted traffic enforcement analyzes crash data, engineering recommendations and citizen traffic complaints to target areas for additional traffic enforcement. The hours when most traffic crashes occur, between 12:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. are targeted for enforcement. The Grants Pass Department of Public Safety utilizes motorcycles and an un-marked police car for traffic enforcement. Since 2006, the department has deployed three Honda ST-1300 motorcycles for traffic enforcement around Grants Pass.

2016 Traffic Citations by Violation Type

Traffic Enforcement

Programs:

- ❖ Seatbelt enforcement
- ❖ Child protective seat safety
- ❖ DUII saturation
- ❖ Pedestrian safety enforcement
- ❖ Speed enforcement
- ❖ Distracted Driver Programs
- ❖ Drug Recognition Experts
- ❖ Standardized Field Sobriety Testing





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Patrol Specialty Assignments

Police K-9 Program

The K-9 program currently consists of two canine handlers and their canine partners. The program provides specialized policing functions such as conducting building searches, missing person searches and suspect apprehension. As ambassadors for our department, they often assist in presentations and public events. The program has proven to be an effective enhancement to officer safety and our criminal apprehension capability in the sixteen years of its existence.



Corporal Gaunt & Brock

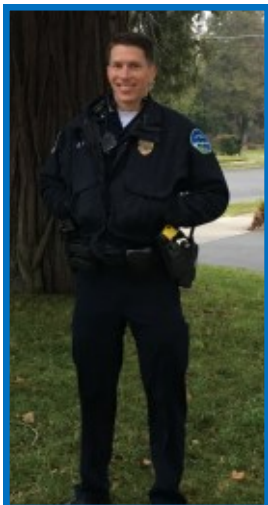
K-9 Deployments in 2016

<i>Deployments</i>	41
<i>Suspect Finds</i>	23
<i>Tracks</i>	16
<i>K9 Call Outs</i>	8
<i>SWAT Deployments</i>	4
<i>Alarms Deployed</i>	3
<i>Evidence Searches</i>	5
<i>COP Details</i>	5
<i>Assist to other agency calls</i>	2
Total	107



Officer Wallace & Rocco

School Resource Officer



Ofc Jennings Stewart

The main purpose of the program is to formalize a joint effort between Grants Pass School District 7 and the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety by providing a safe and secure learning environment for everyone in the school community. This is done in part by facilitation of a Student Public Safety Academy to Junior and Senior students in a semester long, elective course at the Grants Pass High School.

Our School Resource Officer maintains a high profile in and around School District 7. His duties include: enforcement of state law and city ordinances; counseling and mentoring students; providing resources to staff, students and parents; teaching opportunities within the classrooms; and enforcement of the District 7 Attendance Initiative.



Grants Pass Department of Public Safety Specialty Operations



The Grants Pass Department of Public Safety has two specialty units that are comprised of members of the organization who have specialized training in special weapons, tactics, and communication skills. Those units are SWAT and CINT.

S.W.A.T.



The “Special Weapons And Tactics” Team, most commonly referred to as “SWAT”, has been a unit of the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety since 1996.

The SWAT team is comprised of members from Patrol and Fire/Rescue and a dispatcher who is assigned as a scribe. The SWAT members train on a monthly basis to develop their tactical skills to respond to and resolve high risk incidents. The members from Fire/

Rescue provide their skills as EMT/paramedic and receive additional training to perform as tactical medics.

The advantage of having a tactical team that is comprised of members of the department that are actively handling calls on a day-to-day basis is that they bring their specialized tactical training with them to every call. As a result, many situations are handled by team members without having to call out the entire team.

C.I.N.T.



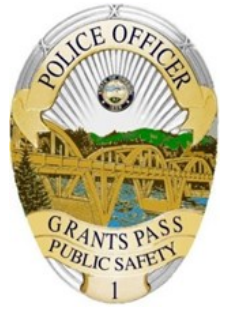
CINT is the acronym for “Critical Incident Negotiations Team”. CINT is comprised of six members of the department who have a wide range of experience and background to include members from command, dispatch, patrol, and detectives. The team responds to barricaded subjects; suicidal persons; hostage situations; and high risk warrant services.

Ninety-six percent of incidents requiring the response of law enforcement do not include a hostage being taken. That means only four percent of these situations involved a person taking another person or persons hostage. CINT works in close coordination with the SWAT team to provide support in negotiating situations to a safe solution.





Grants Pass Department of Public Safety Crime Prevention



Crime Prevention Programs:

Life Safety Skills for Children
Neighborhood Watch / Business Watch
Project Child Safe
Citizens Public Safety Academy
Bike Helmet Program

Member of:

Chair for Local Alcohol and Drug Planning
Committee (LADPC)
Josephine County Drug Court
Southern Oregon Financial Fraud and
Securities Team
Josephine County Mental Health Court

In liaison with:

Concerned Fathers Against Crime

***29 Other Programs for the Community,
Juveniles, and Local Businesses***

Volunteer Chaplain Activities:

We currently have five chaplains, who are called out to assist community members, and also work with our department members.

Volunteer Hours in 2016: 1177



*Crime Prevention Officer
Lesley Donaghy*

Auxiliary (Volunteer) Activities:

Handicap Parking Patrol
Vacation House checks
Clerical
Downtown Foot and Park Patrol
Special Events

Volunteer Hours in 2016: 2419



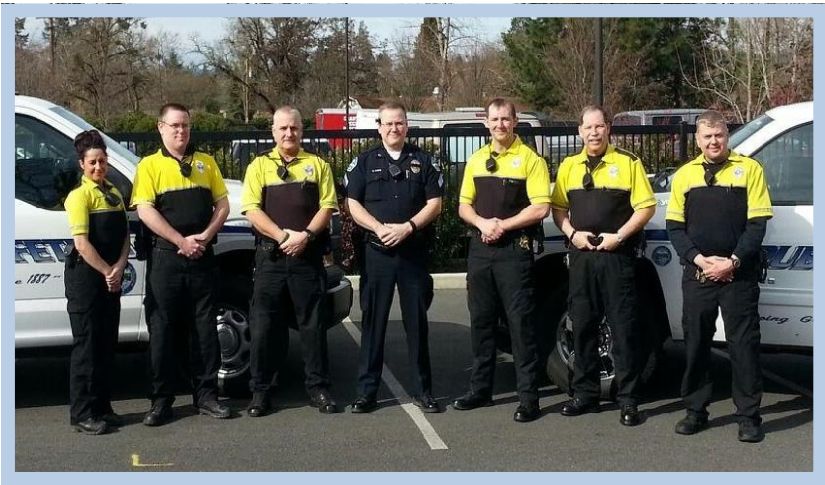
- ❖ The 26th Citizen's Public Safety Academy and the 10th Student Public Safety Academy were held in 2016. These are hands-on educational experiences for adults and high school students.
- ❖ One Bike Rodeo was held in 2016, which provided local youth with information on bicycle safety, bike checks and a ride through a bicycle skills course.
- ❖ Bicycle helmets were distributed to local schools and children through the Crime Prevention Program.
- ❖ Crime Prevention assisted with two car seat clinics in 2016.
- ❖ The Crime Prevention unit works closely with the community and local businesses to create and implement solutions to address drug, crime, and livability issues within the community.
- ❖ The Crime Prevention Officer also acts as a liaison between the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety and School District 7 Elementary Schools when the School Resource Officer is unavailable.



Grants Pass Department of Public Safety Community Service Officers

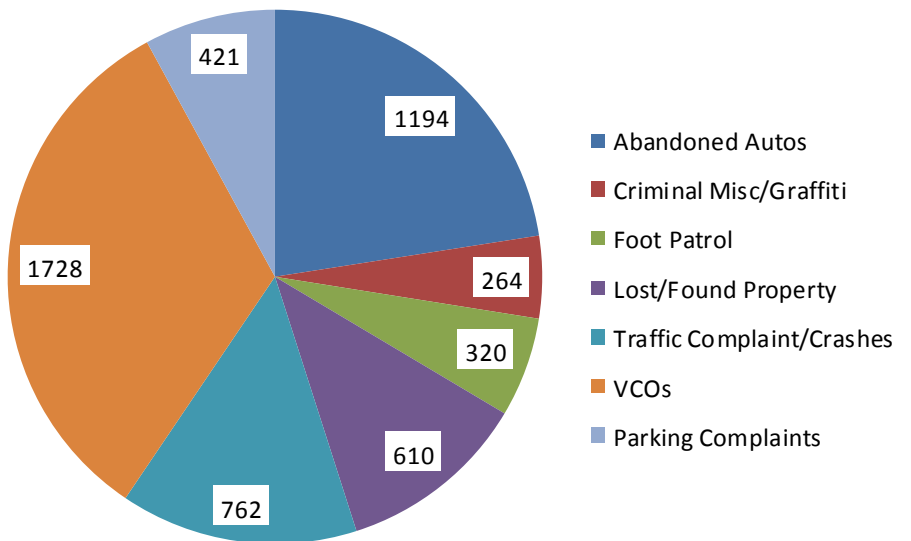


Five full-time and one part-time Community Service Officers (CSOs) make up the CSO team. Two of the primary functions of the CSOs are addressing “livability issues” for the City of Grants Pass (including parts of the Urban Growth Boundary), and acting as liaisons to the downtown. The CSOs are often seen on foot patrol or on the “T-3” patrolling the downtown, stopping in to check with merchants, and interacting with citizens and visitors to our vibrant downtown. CSOs are also responsible for municipal code enforcement in the historic downtown area. This includes parking violations and skateboarding/bicycling on the sidewalks.



Another critical service the CSOs provide is augmenting patrol services. The CSOs are able to respond to and handle calls that would typically be handled by a police officer. These types of calls include: abandoned auto enforcement, motor vehicle crashes and other calls needing traffic control, dismantling transient camps, graffiti abatement, managing and deploying the reader/radar boards, parking enforcement, shuttling of police vehicles for maintenance, and equipment procurement and maintenance. We believe our CSOs provide a valuable resource to our community and we are proud of the customer service they provide. Citizen surveys consistently show that abandoned autos, tall/noxious weeds, and “rubbish” complaints (livability issues) are reported as the top nuisances in the City. For this reason, as you can see by the below chart, CSOs spend a great deal of effort working on Violations of City Ordinances (weeds, rubbish) and Abandoned Auto calls.

Most Common Incidents Handled by CSOs





Grants Pass Department of Public Safety Fire/Rescue Division



The mission of our Fire/Rescue Division is to prevent the loss of life and damage to property from fire, accidents, medical emergencies and natural disasters through a comprehensive program of public education, awareness, enforcement and emergency response.

The Fire Rescue Division is supervised by Deputy Chief Lang Johnson with the assistance of a Fire Marshal and three shift Battalion Chiefs. Staffing for the division includes 24 highly motivated and professional firefighters working a shift rotational system to provide 24 hour coverage every day of the year. Emergency response, fire and crime prevention, and law enforcement services are provided from three strategically located public safety stations to provide the quickest response possible. Emergency fire and EMS services have a target response goal of 5 minutes or less 90% of the time.



Public safety stations serve both the Police and Fire Divisions. Half of the patrol resources, housing for fire and EMS response, fire rescue administration and fire prevention services are located at the Parkway Public Safety Center at 800 E. Park Street. The Hillcrest Public Safety Station located at 199 NW Hillcrest Drive serves as a police report writing station, housing for fire and EMS response; back-up 911 call-taking and dispatch center, and main training facility for all public safety personnel. The Redwood Public Safety Station located at 3071 Leonard Road serves as a police report writing station, housing for fire and EMS response and as home for the crime prevention office.

Fire, life safety and crime public education and prevention information and services are available at all public safety locations, online and by phone. Tours of the public safety facilities are available to the community by contacting the non-emergent number 541-450-6200.

Highlights for 2016

❖ The CPR Anytime program teaches anyone to learn the core skills of CPR in just 30 minutes using an inflatable manikin. The program provides all the skills to perform basic CPR, AED use and choking relief. Fire Rescue is currently providing the training to every 8th grader in the City of Grants Pass in partnership with AMR and Grants Pass School District 7. The program is offered in a more condensed version as the Sidewalk CPR program during First Friday Art Night in Downtown Grants Pass. Approximately 1000 students and community members have participated in the program since its start in 2015. Each person who learns CPR in our community increases the odds of survivability in a witnessed cardiac event! Fire Engineer Brandon Rigaud was recognized by the Oregon Health Authority on September 23, 2016 with a Community Service Award for his leadership and support of the Grants Pass CPR Anytime Program.



❖ Breast Cancer Awareness - Fire Rescue and Grants Pass Professional Firefighters IAFF 3564 worked together to raise \$832 for the Asante Foundation during October Breast Cancer Awareness month. Firefighters wore blue and pink shirts to raise awareness and money was raised through the sale of commemorative t-shirts. The funds are used to provide financial assistance for breast cancer preventive services for under insured women in our community.

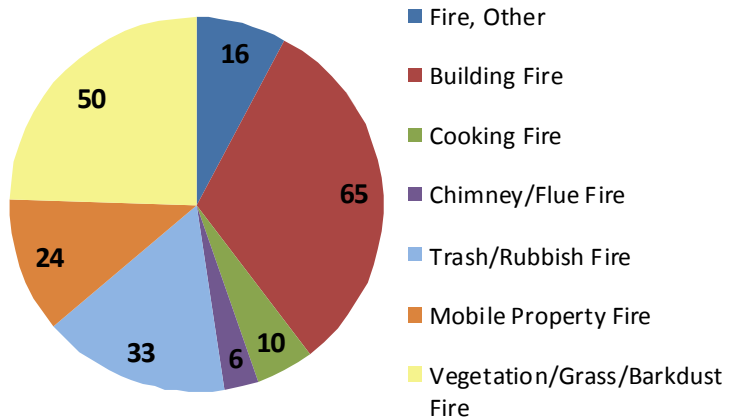




Grants Pass Department of Public Safety Fire/Rescue Division



Fires by Category



In 2016 it is estimated that over \$8,176,420 was at risk during fires with \$672,786 in actual fire damage occurring.

Developing close working relationships with our regional firefighting partners allows agencies to share call loads and reduce the amount of staffing at each fire station. Grants Pass Fire/Rescue assisted other agencies with a total of 631 calls in 2016. Outside agencies assisted inside the City of Grants Pass 451 times.



Fire/Rescue personnel have logged more than 4,299 hours of training in 2016. Training includes a wide variety of topics, to include: Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) and paramedic recertification; wildland and structural firefighting; rope rescue; confined space rescue; search and rescue; firefighter safety and survival; apparatus operation; as well as leadership development.

2016 Fire Calls for Service:

Active Fires:	204
Rupture, Explosion, Overheat:	8
Medical/Rescues:	1832
Hazardous Conditions:	110
Service Calls:	708
Good Intent Calls:	1391
False Alarm/False Call:	221
Severe Weather/Natural Disaster:	2
Special Incident Type:	8
Unknown:	58
Total:	4542

**Average Response Time
to emergency calls:
4.35 Minutes**





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Fire Prevention & Inspections

The Fire Prevention Division is responsible for conducting fire and life safety compliance inspections in businesses, performing origin and cause fire investigations, providing public education encompassing all aspects of fire and life safety issues, issuing fire code permits and conducting related inspections, reviewing land development projects for access and water supply requirements, and conducting plan review/inspections for fire protection systems in both new and existing structures. The Fire Prevention Division works under the authority of the State Fire Marshal.

The following highlights events and summarizes the Division's activities in 2016.

- ❖ Child Safety Seat Program. 303 child safety seats were inspected in 2016. This is a free service to the community to ensure child safety seats are properly installed to prevent injury and loss of life. People can call the Parkway Public Safety Center to set up an appointment, 541-450-6200.
- ❖ Seasonal Public Service Announcements (PSA's) are available on the Department's Facebook page and include topics such as: Holiday Safety, Burn Window Information, Electrical Safety, Smoke Alarm Information, Carbon Monoxide Alarm Information, public hazards, special events and Candle Burning Safety.
- ❖ Public Education efforts by fire personnel reached over 6121 individuals in 2016.
- ❖ Fire Extinguisher Training is provided to the community free of cost. Over 149 people were trained in 2016.
- ❖ 14 Grants Pass High School students participated in the Careers Program for students interested in the firefighting and emergency medical fields.
- ❖ Our Department continues to participate in the Juvenile Fire Setter Program which helps educate young people who may have a propensity for starting fires. This progressive program seeks to impact those children and prevent injury and fatalities.
- ❖ 247 Burn permits were issued in 2016, allowing citizens to burn cut and piled vegetation within the city limits.
- ❖ City businesses are inspected for compliance with state, municipal codes and fire safety standards. This protects employees and patrons from fire. The Engine Companies, Fire Marshal and Fire Inspector supported these efforts for a total of 1849 inspections in 2016.
- ❖ The Smoke Alarm Program aids citizens in need. Six (6) smoke alarms were provided to citizens in need in 2016. The Division partnered with the American Red Cross to canvas neighborhoods.
- ❖ In June 2016 the Grants Pass Firewise Communities Program transitioned to Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) as part of the regional Fire Adapted Communities initiative. Grants Pass Fire Rescue continued to work with the local Firewise Advisory Board, Josephine County Emergency Management, and ODF to coordinate Firewise activities and engage in planning for future prevention activities.
- ❖ Grants Pass Fire Rescue received an EMS Unit Citation Award on September 23, 2016 from the Oregon Health Authority in recognition of our response and assistance at a fatal car accident that also included multiple injured patients on Gunnell Road in Josephine County.



2016 Fire Inspections:

CD Inspections	85
Company Inspections	423
Grass Lots	123
Prevention Inspections	466
Re-Inspections	272
Site Plan Reviews	92
Special	282
Other	106
Total Inspections	1849



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Student Firefighter Program

In 1996 the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety began a partnership with [Rogue Community College](#) to train students enrolled in either the Fire Science or Emergency Medical Technology Associate Degree programs at the college. Over 60 students have participated in this program since its inception.

The goal is to provide an opportunity for students to receive real life training in the areas of firefighting and emergency medical services. The City of Grants Pass provides all equipment and reimburses the students for college expenses. In return, students work ten, 24-hour shifts per month at one of the City's Public Safety Stations. The program currently has six full-time students. Many of our program graduates have become employed by the City and other fire departments across the region.



Student Emergency Response Team



Grants Pass High School and the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety have enjoyed a cooperative partnership for over 11 years. Each year, representatives from Grants Pass Fire/Rescue teach over 380 students in the areas of Fire Suppression, First Aid, Emergency Response and Disaster Preparedness.

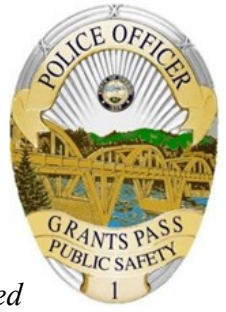
The teachings culminate with a two day 'disaster drill' at the Hillcrest Public Safety Station. Utilizing the training tower and onsite props, students are placed in a mockup disaster; where they rely on their fellow peers to triage, reach and treat one another utilizing practices developed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

If you are interested in a career in firefighting or want more information, contact our Student Firefighter Program Coordinator Battalion Chief Randy DeLonge at (541) 450-6200 or rdelonge@grantspassoregon.gov



Grants Pass Department of Public Safety

Detective Unit

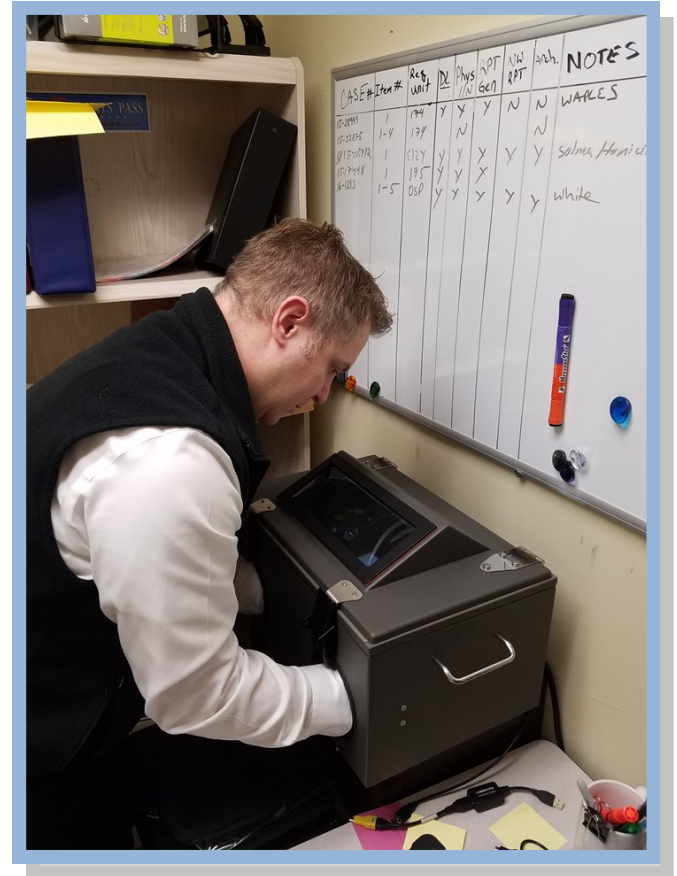


Detectives are responsible for ongoing investigations that require specialized training, multiple witness and/or victim interviews, and interaction with multiple agencies. They are on call 24/7 and assist Patrol.

The Detective Unit consists of six detectives and is supervised by a Detective Sergeant. Five detectives are primarily assigned to major crimes investigations, which may include homicide, death investigations, robbery, sex offenses, major assaults, serious traffic crashes, commercial and residential burglary, and major theft. One detective is assigned to the Rogue Area Drug Enforcement (RADE) team. Providing support services to the Detective Unit is a Property/ Evidence Specialist.

The Detective Sergeant is responsible for reviewing all cases referred to the Detectives for assignment. Cases are reviewed and assigned based on several factors, including the caseload of each detective, the seriousness of the crime, whether there is a named suspect or if the suspect can be identified and/or located, the impact to the community, and if there are other factors that would help solve the case. The Detective Sergeant also distributes noteworthy cases to detectives for review, usually several hundred each year. The Detective Sergeant is also responsible for reviewing all referrals from the Department of Human Services involving family issues. In 2016, the Detective Sergeant reviewed over 1043 of these referrals.

Investigations assigned to Detectives require more expertise and training than what a patrol officer receives. Detectives obtain advanced training in areas such as interviewing, search and seizure, homicide investigation, child abuse, sexual assault, and crime scene processing. Often times, cases may require weeks, months, or perhaps even years to investigate properly. This is in part due to the fact that these cases often consist of multiple offenses occurring at different times, and locations; involving multiple suspects, victims, and witnesses. These types of cases routinely involve several hundred items of evidence and may require extensive follow-up. In 2016, the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety Detective Unit also assisted the Josephine County Major Crimes Team in numerous homicide investigations throughout Josephine County.





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Rogue Area Drug Enforcement R.A.D.E.



Report Illegal Drug Activity
R.A.D.E. tip-line
541-955-6970

Individual law enforcement agencies investigate crimes involving the possession, manufacture, and distribution of illegal drugs. To have a larger affect on drug crimes, local law enforcement agencies in Josephine County have formed an interagency drug team comprised of representatives from the Oregon State Police, Grants Pass Department of Public Safety, Josephine County District Attorney's Office, and Josephine County Community Corrections. This team works together to combat crime and the influence of illicit drugs in our community.

R.A.D.E. Since the passage of Measure 91 in the November 2014 Election, crimes related to Marijuana have been in a state of flux as the State and our community adjust to the new laws.

Seizure results for 2016:

<i>Meth</i>	49 lbs
<i>Marijuana</i>	311 lbs
<i>Heroin</i>	7.5 lbs

Property/Evidence

Property Specialist Paul Schilens manages the 3,500 square foot evidence facility for the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety. Paul, along with a part-time evidence technician, are responsible for receiving evidence from Grants Pass Police Officers, as well as evidence collected by the Rogue Area Drug Enforcement team (RADE). In addition to receiving evidence, Paul is responsible for the preservation of evidence, facilitating evidence testing, and disposition of evidence. Overall, Paul is responsible for over 50,000 items of evidence.





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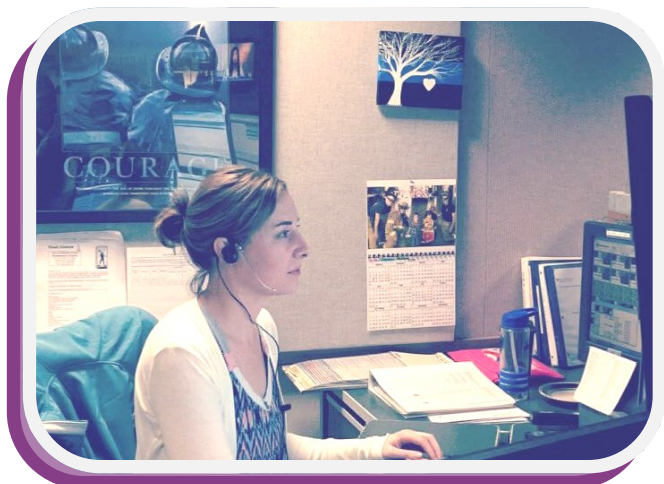
9-1-1 Police/Fire EMS Dispatch

Agencies Receiving Dispatch Services:

Grants Pass Department of Public Safety - Police and Fire
American Medical Response
Rural/Metro Fire Department
Illinois Valley Rural Fire Protection District
Williams Rural Fire Protection District
Wolf Creek Rural Fire Protection District
Oregon Department of Forestry (after hours)

Telephone Calls in 2016

911 Calls:	60,957
Non-emergent Lines	38,384
Total Inbound Calls:	99,341



Through a mutually beneficial contract with the Josephine County 9-1-1 Agency, our dispatch center is the answering point for all 9-1-1 calls within Josephine County. We also provide dispatching services for the above listed agencies. The Communications Bureau is composed of a Supervisor, four Lead Dispatchers, thirteen fulltime and two on-call Dispatchers.

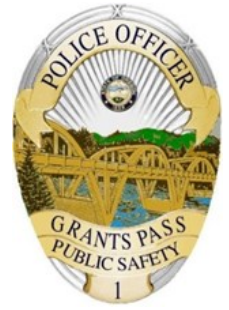
Dispatchers put in many hours of training each year to maintain and build their skill levels. The position requires that each maintain a DPSST certification. Grants Pass DPS has made every effort to provide the best training possible at a reasonable price. Most training is developed in house or taken on-line in order to save tax payers' money. Some of

the topics include Emergency Medical Dispatching and Pre-arrival Instruction, Suicide Prevention, Hazardous Materials, Leadership, Liability and Ethics, and many more.

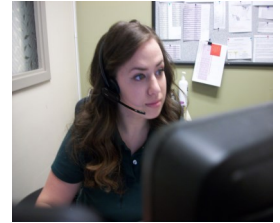
- ❖ The 9-1-1 Dispatch Center answered an average of 271 phone calls per day, approximately 167 of these calls came in on 9-1-1 lines. Highly visible weather or fire emergencies can cause spikes in call load 4 to 5 times the normal amount for a single incident.
- ❖ At this time, you cannot text 911 in Josephine County. If you try, you will get a bounce back message that will ask you to make a voice call. This technology is coming to Southern Oregon, but at the earliest, it will be implemented in late 2017. Remember, even when you do have the ability, it is still faster to call 911 in an emergency and relay information than it is to text.



Grants Pass Department of Public Safety Records Unit



The Records Unit is your first point of contact if you call our non-emergency telephone number 541-450-6260, or come into our lobby located at 101 NW "A" Street in the Criminal Justice Building. We pride ourselves on our excellent customer service and ability to help you!



The Records Unit is staffed by a supervisor, seven full-time public safety clerks. Staffing is supplemented when needed by on-call/part-time staff.

Public Safety Clerks are highly trained professionals who take pride in helping citizens with their law enforcement needs. All phone calls that are not 911 emergent calls, are answered by a Records Clerk. If a crime has been committed; the Clerk enters your call for service for an officer to make contact or, if it meets our criteria, the Records Clerks can complete the report. In 2016, Records answered over 88,000 calls on the non-emergent line and entered over 16,000 calls for service.

The Records Unit operates in a continuous cycle of collecting, storing and purging information. Police reports, criminal histories, accidents, citations, violations of city ordinances, court subpoenas, and warrants are routed through the Records Unit.



Grants Pass Department of Public Safety has a Drug Drop Box in the Lobby which is open for use 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, at no cost to the public. In 2016 we received and disposed of over 1422 lbs. of medications dropped off by citizens.

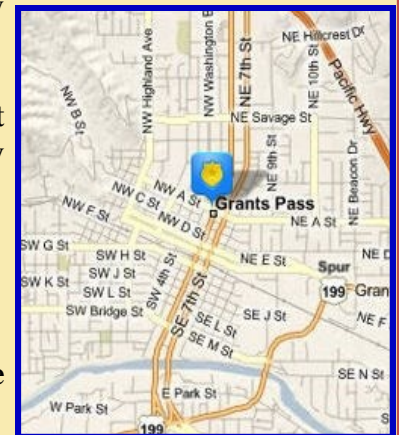
To check where criminal activity is reported in the City of Grants Pass, follow this link to [Crime Mapping](#). Search by crime type, date range, and area.

The Everbridge Alert Network allows citizens to sign up for email and/or text notifications for road blocks, community events, and important community alerts. Click here to sign up: www.co.josephine.or.us/alert

Media releases are available on our Facebook page located at: <https://www.facebook.com/grantspassdps.gov/>

Click here for [Public records requests](#) and select “releasing reports to the public” or come into our lobby to obtain a records request form.

We will be happy to help you!

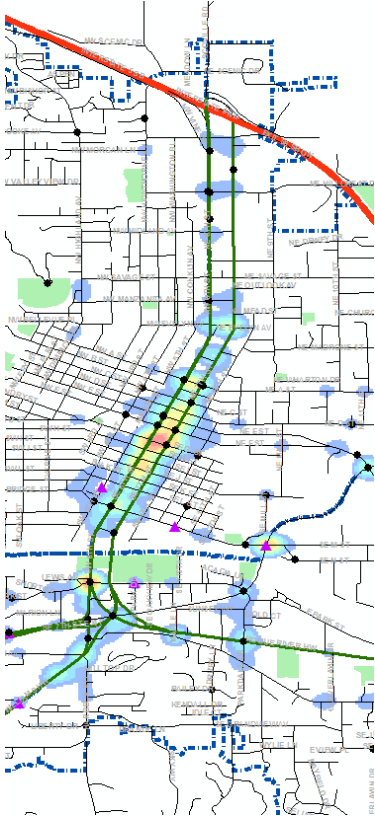




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Intelligence Led Policing



The Grants Pass DPS has adopted the policing philosophy of Intelligence Led Policing. For us this means utilizing the best aspects of Hot Spot Policing, Community Oriented Policing, Problem Oriented Policing, Predictive Policing, and CompStat.

Why is this important to the citizens of Grants Pass? Traditionally police officers were placed in a geographical area (beats) and asked to patrol around the area. The idea behind this was the officer would deter crime by being seen.

We are utilizing statistical information to direct officers to the highest crime areas within their beats. The statistical information helps to determine "Hot Spots". Hot Spots provide the officers areas to focus their efforts when they are not responding to calls for service. Officers are encouraged to partner with Citizens and come up with inventive ways to mitigate these problem areas.

The end result is a measurable reduction in the number of calls from these areas. This means the Grants Pass Citizens are getting the best service we can provide.

Reserve Police Program

The Grants Pass Department of Public Safety has a volunteer Reserve Police program. Men and women who meet the legal requirements and pass testing to include: written skills, report writing, physical agility, oral interview, BPAD assessment, background, psychological examination and medical examination and drug screen have the opportunity to be selected as a Reserve Police Officer.

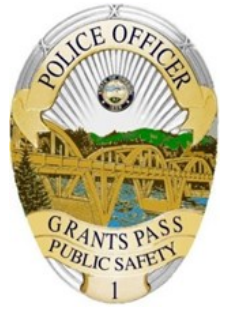
The Reserve Police Program gives a person an opportunity to develop skills and experience as a police officer under the direct guidance, mentoring and coaching of a full-time police officer.

The Grants Pass Department of Public Safety currently has three Reserve Police Officers. Upon being selected the Reserve candidate is required to complete a 9-month training academy (ROLEA) that is hosted through Rogue Community College. Upon completion of the academy, the Reserves are uniformed and begin their training with an officer in the field.





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Recruitment and Selection



The Grants Pass Department of Public Safety is an equal opportunity employer who provides individuals with an opportunity to work within a professional public safety environment with a small town appeal. Recruitment is conducted through the City of Grants Pass Human Resources Department when positions are available. All job openings are advertised through different forms of public media to include newspaper, electronic postings and the City website.

Over this past year the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety Police Division hired seven police officers, three dispatchers, one on-call dispatcher, and two record clerks. The Fire Rescue Division hired four firefighters, four student firefighter volunteers, and a new fire inspector. Anyone wanting further information about the selection process and minimum qualifications, as established by the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST - the state certifying agency) can access the City of Grants Pass or DPSST websites:

[Click here for the Recruitment and Selection webpage.](#)

[Click here for the DPSST website.](#)

Department Complaints

2016 Internal and External Complaints		
Incident Type/Classification	DiCounttion	
External Complaint		Amount
(Complaints made from citizens outside of the department)	Exon-Proper Conduct	1
	Sustained	1
	Unfounded	9
Internal Complaint		Amount
(Complaints made from Supervisors within the department)	Sustained	6
	Unfounded	1

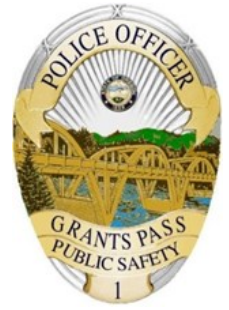
Sustained: The allegation is found to be factual and is sustained by evidence.

Unfounded: The allegation is not supported by the facts or is a false allegation.

Exon-Proper Conduct: The allegation is factual and did occur, but was justified, lawful, and proper. The action of the Department or the employee was consistent with agency policy.



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101 NW A Street
Grants Pass, OR 97526



Police: (541) 450-6260
Fire/Rescue: (541) 450-6200
Emergency: 9-1-1

Contact Information for 2016:

Chief	Bill Landis	blandis@grantspassoregon.gov
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Fire/Rescue Deputy Chief	Lang Johnson	ljohnson@grantspassoregon.gov
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Investigative Support Div	Todd Moran	tmoran@grantspassoregon.gov
Detectives	Dan Evans	devans@grantspassoregon.gov
Records	Terri McClure	tmccclure@grantspassoregon.gov
Dispatch Supervisor	Kristen Guenther	kguenther@grantspassoregon.gov
9-1-1 Coordinator	Marci Haack	mhaack@grantspassoregon.gov
Code Enforcement	Edward Burke	eburke@grantspassoregon.gov
Crime Prevention	Lesley Donaghy	ldonaghy@grantspassoregon.gov
Fire Marshall	Joe Hyatt	jhvatt@grantspassoregon.gov
Fire Inspector	Stephen Parks	sparks@grantspassoregon.gov

**If you would like to learn more about the
City of Grants Pass and
the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety
would like you to visit our webpage.**

This report will be available on our new
City of Grants Pass website, click on the link below:

City of Grants Pass: www.grantspassoregon.gov

Like our new Facebook page at
<https://www.facebook.com/grantspassdps.gov/>

Other websites mentioned in this report:

Citizen Alerts	www.co.josephine.or.us/alert
Crime Mapping	www.crimemapping.com
DPSST Academy	www.oregon.gov/DPSST/Pages/index.aspx
Rogue Comm. College	www.roguecc.edu

You can find instructions on how to use Citizen Alerts and Crime Mapping
in the Public Safety section of the City of Grants Pass website.

The Grants Pass Department of Public Safety
recognizes and appreciates several members for
their efforts in compiling this annual report.

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